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## Israeli Troops Continue Big Offensive

### IMPORTANT JERUSALEM BATTLE SHAPING

### Jewish Shock Forces Prepare For Action

Cairo, July 11.—Israeli troops are advancing on Ramle, 10 miles southeast of Tel-Aviv, from captured Lydda airport in their biggest and most successful offensive of Palestine war, advices from Tel-Aviv said tonight.

Thousands of Arab civilians were reported to be fleeing from Lydda and Ramle toward Latrun on the main Tel-Aviv-Jerusalem highway. The Israeli troops are permitting them to filter through their lines but are confiscating vehicles, dispatches said.

Jerusalem dispatches and Egyptian front dispatches indicated that a new big battle is shaping up in Jerusalem and that Jewish shock troops are preparing an attempt to storm into the Arab-held old walled city area.

Picked Israeli troops blasted unoccupied buildings just outside the ancient six-foot thick wall to reach positions at Jaffa. A heavy mortar barrage bombarded Arab positions in the old city.

At the same time Arab artillery opened a big bombardment of Jewish-held suburbs of Jerusalem. Iraqi and regular Arab troops shelled the main Tel-Aviv-Haifa coastal highway at three separate points from six miles east of Tel-Aviv to 11 miles south of Haifa.

A United Press dispatch from Amman reported that the Arab League would hold an important meeting on Monday at Alel in the mountains outside Beirut, Lebanon, where some of the most critical decisions of the seven Arab countries have been reached.

The dispatch said that Trans-Jordan delegates are expected to take no vigorous part in discussions concerning Count Folke Bernadotte's appeal for a new truce. King Abdullah conferred with Glubb Pasha, commanding the Arab Legion, the Amman dispatch said. It appeared possible from the Amman dispatch that heated arguments might arise at the Alel meeting over the advisability of accepting the truce. Amman dispatches have suggested that individual Arab countries might vote by majority to accept the truce or a permanent peace agreement and that if they did, resignations might be expected from some cabinets.

Assad Dagher, spokesman for the Arab League, said here that the Political Committee of the Arab League, before deciding to resume war discovered all possible political measures that might be taken against the Arab countries. Dagher said that pressure is being put by the United States and Britain on the Arab countries through their envoys in the respective capitals.

He said, "There is no pressure stronger than death and we Arabs are prepared to die rather than to yield to the pressure being brought on us."

Regarding possible Arab counter reprisals, he said, "We supply the Americans with oil but the Americans supply the Arab countries with lipsticks and lipglosses."

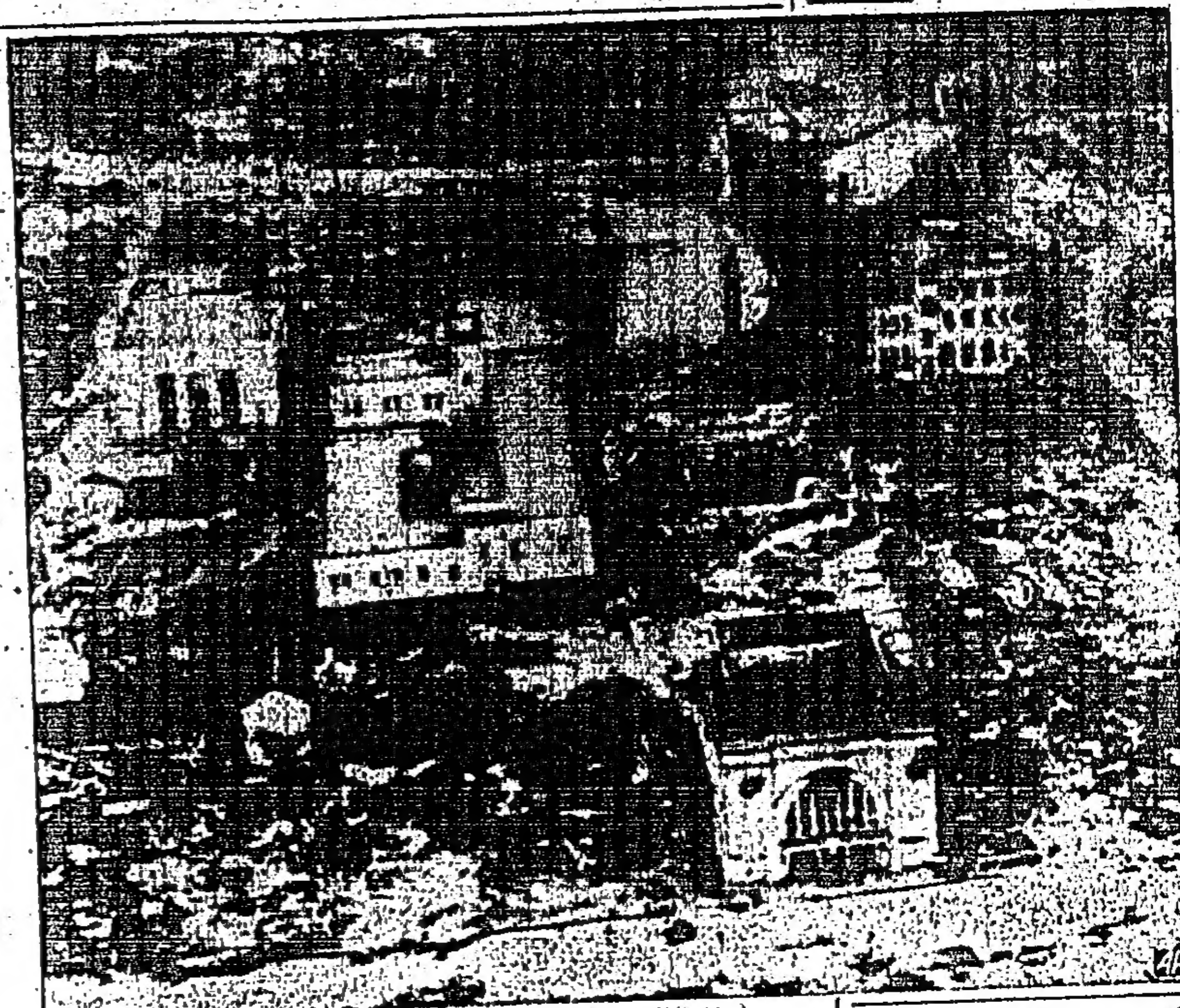
It is up to the Arab governments, however, to take final decision and Dagher himself revealed that King Abdullah had asked the Arab League whether its political committee should not at least discuss Bernadotte's proposal to demilitarize Jerusalem.

Dagher said the Committee replied that there is no need for discussion because it has already reached decisions.

#### ON THE WAR FRONTS

While the biggest military activity centered at Lydda and Jerusalem, Jewish and Arab communiques and press dispatches reported fighting throughout Palestine.

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Top, several large buildings, surrounded by rubble, are all that remain standing in the downtown area of Fukui, Japan, after a series of devastating earthquakes. Note devastation at top right in state of collapse. Above residents of Fukui build a temporary structure amidst wreckage within hours after a disastrous earthquake and fire swept the industrial town. Photo made by Charles Gorry, Associated Press Staff Photographer who flew to the scene from Tokyo.

### NEW C-IN-C FOR BPF

Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Brind

London, July 11.—Vice-Admiral Sir E. J. Patrick Brind has been appointed Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet, in succession to Sir Denis W. Boyd.

Vice-Admiral Brind figured in a famous incident in Chinese waters. In 1939, he went to Tientsin to investigate the wrongful arrest of a British merchant ship by the Japanese. He took the cruiser Birmingham among a fleet of Japanese heavy cruisers and aircraft carriers and went aboard the Japanese flagship to demand the release of the merchant ship.

The Japanese threatened to blow up both British ships, but they managed to get away and the story of this enterprise spread along the Chinese coast, resulting in a British shipping boom.

His appointment takes place in December.—Reuter.

## Malayan Police Kill & Capture Insurgents

### ACTION AT ABANDONED TIN MINE

Kuala Lumpur, July 11.—Malayan police, combing an area just outside Kuala Lumpur today, shot and killed three Chinese insurgents and arrested 15 other suspects, bringing the total bag in this area in the last 24 hours of intensive police and military sweep to four dead and 19 arrested.

Today's action was at an abandoned tin mine on the outskirts of Kuala Lumpur, where a large force of insurgents were reported massing on Friday for an attack on Kuala Lumpur.

A police leader said police and Gurkhas investigating a site were fired on by an armed sentry, who then took flight and fell under a hail of police bullets.

Troops and police then rushed to a house, surprising 15 others who were presumably at breakfast.

#### KILLED IN CAVE

A further search disclosed two more armed Chinese lying low in a cave nearby. When they refused to come out, police shot both dead. Inside the house police recovered four rifles and several hand grenades, two sacks of rice, a number of blankets and uniforms as well as a large collection of "Communist literature," one officer said.

Police at Serak reported a "murder attempt was made on a known Chinese Communist," presumably by members of their own ranks. Police said he was shot through the head but is still alive.

Police also announced a curfew had been imposed in the Kuantan area of Pahang where a European planter was killed; another is missing and two Asians were killed in an ambush on Friday.

### Only The Choir Is Okay

Warwick, England, July 11.—The domestic chaplain to the King and former dean of the Royal Chapel today charged that everything but the choir needed overhauling in his new parish here.

Rev W. H. Elliot, who was appointed to St Mary's Church last April, wrote in his parish magazine that he was shocked by the idle and ungodly gossip.

He said the situation was the fault of nobody in particular, but charged that Warwick had gone to sleep.—United Press.

## Sokolovsky Relieved Of Command?

Berlin, July 11.—The American-licensed Dena news agency said today that it has been reported without confirmation that Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky, Soviet commander in Germany, has been relieved of his command.

The British licensed DPE news agency said it carried a similar report, and the same information was broadcast by the American-licensed radio station, Rias. All three reports said the information was obtained from "Soviet sources."

Reports said that Sokolovsky would be recalled to Russia to take over an important military field command but he would remain in Berlin until the current crisis is over. Responsible American and British sources said they have no information on the report and that they agreed it is a "reasonable speculation."—United Press.

#### PROMOTION REPORT

Berlin, July 11.—Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky, the Soviet Commander-in-Chief in Germany and the chief Russian protagonist in the Berlin crisis, has been marked down for promotion to a high military command in Russia, according to political circles close to the Soviet Military Government today.—Reuter.

## PLOT TO SUCCEED STALIN

### Said To Be Reason For Tito's Excommunication

London, July 11.—Two London newspapers said today that Marshal Tito was thrown out of the Cominform because he wanted Stalin's job as leader of the Communist movement.

Both newspapers—the People and the Sunday Dispatch—claimed stories on "inside" information.

The newspaper, People, under a Vienna dateline, said that Marshal Tito had been "plotting" to become Stalin's successor. About a year ago, the newspaper said, this information reached the Kremlin and it was then that Stalin sent secret agents to Belgrade to spy on the Yugoslav dictator.

#### FIRST ROUND RESULT

People said that some of Stalin's spies died and others "just disappeared." The newspaper concluded that Tito "won" the first round.

The Sunday Dispatch's diplomatic correspondent said an account of the sensational Stalin-Tito rift was based on "information from an unimpeachable source."

"The Cominform attack on the Marshal Tito setup in Yugoslavia was the outcome of fear on the part of the 13 men of Kremlin that Marshal Tito might eventually snatch leadership of the international Communist world from Moscow," the Sunday Dispatch said.

The Sunday Dispatch said: "Stalin, they argued, is in poor health and he may not live very much longer. Marshal Tito is the only possible rival for the international Communist leadership. He alone has personality and backing in any way rivaling Stalin's. All other national Communist leaders are colourless and without popularity."

#### STALIN DISPLEASED

"When Stalin dies, they argued, what is there to prevent Marshal Tito becoming the Number 1 man which would shift the centre of the international Communist control from Moscow to Belgrade?"

"So it is decided to discredit Marshal Tito," the Sunday Dispatch pointed out. "Stalin was displeased by Marshal Tito's plans for a Balkan confederation, his stand on Trieste and his ambitions toward Macedonia which greatly hampered the Greek Communists."

The People's story said that Marshal Tito has made up his mind to shake Stalin's boots when the Russian leader dies.

"He and his leading followers," the People said, "believe that they have already outdistanced the Bolshevik revolution of 1917."

"They say that Stalin and his supporters are old-fashioned revolutionaries, utterly incapable of winning the whole world over to Bolshevism."—United Press.

#### EDITORIAL

### The Sterling Area

QUESTIONS such as "Can the Sterling Area last?" "Is the Sterling Area necessary?" and "Would it not be better if the Sterling Area were dissolved?" are being asked with increasing frequency. Indeed, the very frequency of such questions is leading many to assume, on the principle that there cannot be smoke without fire, that the Sterling Area is really an obstacle to world progress—some peculiarly perverse British arrangement that the Empire insists on clinging to when its usefulness has already been outlived. There are no genuine grounds for such a conclusion. The Sterling Area came into existence after Britain went off the gold standard in 1931, and became an effective protective system for many countries, notably members of the Commonwealth. Up to 1939, the existence of the Sterling Area was dependent upon no formal agreement. After that date it had not existed, it would have been necessary to create it. The exigencies of the war forced the Sterling Area to adopt more formal arrangements than hitherto. Not merely did they keep their currencies aligned, but they also adopted a similar foreign exchange policy by contributing all their foreign exchange earnings to a common pool and pledging themselves to draw on this pool only for purposes connected with the war effort. As part and parcel of the same idea, they adopted a similar policy of exchange control to husband their foreign exchange resources (chiefly dollars and gold). Since the war, for a

variety of reasons there has been a widespread shortage of dollars, a shortage from which the Sterling Area has suffered. In addition, Britain has been expected to honour balances built up by members of the Sterling Area during the war and deposited in London, the creditors naturally wishing to use these balances to pay for the goods they have needed since the war. The supplying of these goods has placed a great strain, not only on Britain's productive resources but also on the Sterling Area's exchange reserves, and the question now really is whether the termination of the Sterling Area would help to solve Britain's problem, and thereby speed up the process of economic recovery in the world generally. There is no reason to think that if the individual members of the Sterling Area, particularly the self-governing Dominions, were left to fend for themselves they would fare any better than they do now. They would have fewer dollars at their disposal and would probably have to make greater demands on Britain's limited resources. Actually the existence of the Sterling Area and the established habit of constant consultation on common problems is an assurance that the methods now employed offer a better hope of providing a solution than if the individual countries endeavoured to overcome their difficulties separately and by intermittent conferences. This must not be taken as meaning a solution is guaranteed. That requires not the dismantling of the Sterling Area but an increase in the productive powers of all these countries now dependent on American aid.

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## WOMANSENSE

A Golden Summer Tan  
—And Safely

By LOIS LEEDS

WITH the summer season in full swing, Hollywood's beauty adviser to the film stars, finds it timely to suggest that you shouldn't stick out your neck too much! That is, don't stick it out for too much exposure to the sun. He goes on to warn that while most of the skin areas exposed to the sun is acquiring a beautiful Golden Suntan, this same exposure can, and often does, make the skin of the throat rough and ugly. And rough-

ness at this point, he reminds, makes you look older, no matter what your age!

"If you are very young and intent upon acquiring a suntan, go ahead! But, from the beginning, be sure to give the skin of your neck all the protection that you can with lubricating skin cream or summer tan oil while you are acquiring your tan. Also, when you have washed away such applications by showering before dressing,

replace the lubrication with another skin cream.

"Every day during the time that your summer tan is developing, check up on the skin of your neck and if, in spite of the skin cream and oil treatments, it is developing a rough, flaky surface, you should either call off the summer tanning procedure or take steps to protect the vulnerable neck area while the other skin surfaces continue to become tanned.

"If you have some advanced summer tanning in mind and are not so young, the safest procedure is not to include your neck in the tanning process at all but to depend upon summer tan makeup to make the skin there match up with the really tanned surface of the arms and shoulders.

United Nations United  
For Orange Juice

By WALTER LOGAN

LAKE Success, N.Y. — A lounge disclosed that most of the delegates are not two-fisted when it comes to drinking.

They drink orange juice—30 to 40 gallons of the stuff a day.

One was heard to order a Shirley Temple special. A Shirley Temple special is a reasonably harmless concoction of ginger ale and enough grenadine to colour it a delicate shade of pink. Alcoholic content, nil. After effects, nil.

Some delegates order milk, and one fairly daring bar visitor, obviously not a delegate, once ordered a mixture of milk and whisky.

But day in and day out, orange juice is the staple drink and from noon (about 10:30 a.m. when the delegates start arriving) to night (about 5:30 p.m. when they start leaving) orange juice pours across the bar.

## Big Gus Presides

The bartender is Big Gus Erngerth, a giant Norwegian who left his native home in 1911 because Norway appeared to offer no future for a man of his talents. There, he said, they don't mix drinks, they just drink aquavit or brandy, in great but unmixed quantities.

Gus, the inventor of such deadly mixtures as The Iron Curtain (vodka, an absolute minimum of dry vermouth and a twist of lemon), has an equal number of deadly and harmless inventions to his credit. He's looking for some tequila now for something else he has in mind.

By far the most popular UN drink for some time was the Romulus special, made up especially for Gen. Carlos Romulos of the Philippines and taken to by the other delegates the way a duck takes to water. Very simple: tomato juice, lemon juice, celery salt and Lea & Perrin sauce, well shaken.

Gus can invent you a drink to order. When Princess Elizabeth was getting ready for her wedding, a member of the British delegation asked for a Lillibet special. Gus came up with this one: Lime juice, gin, Metaxas (Greek) brandy and Drambuie to add sweetness.

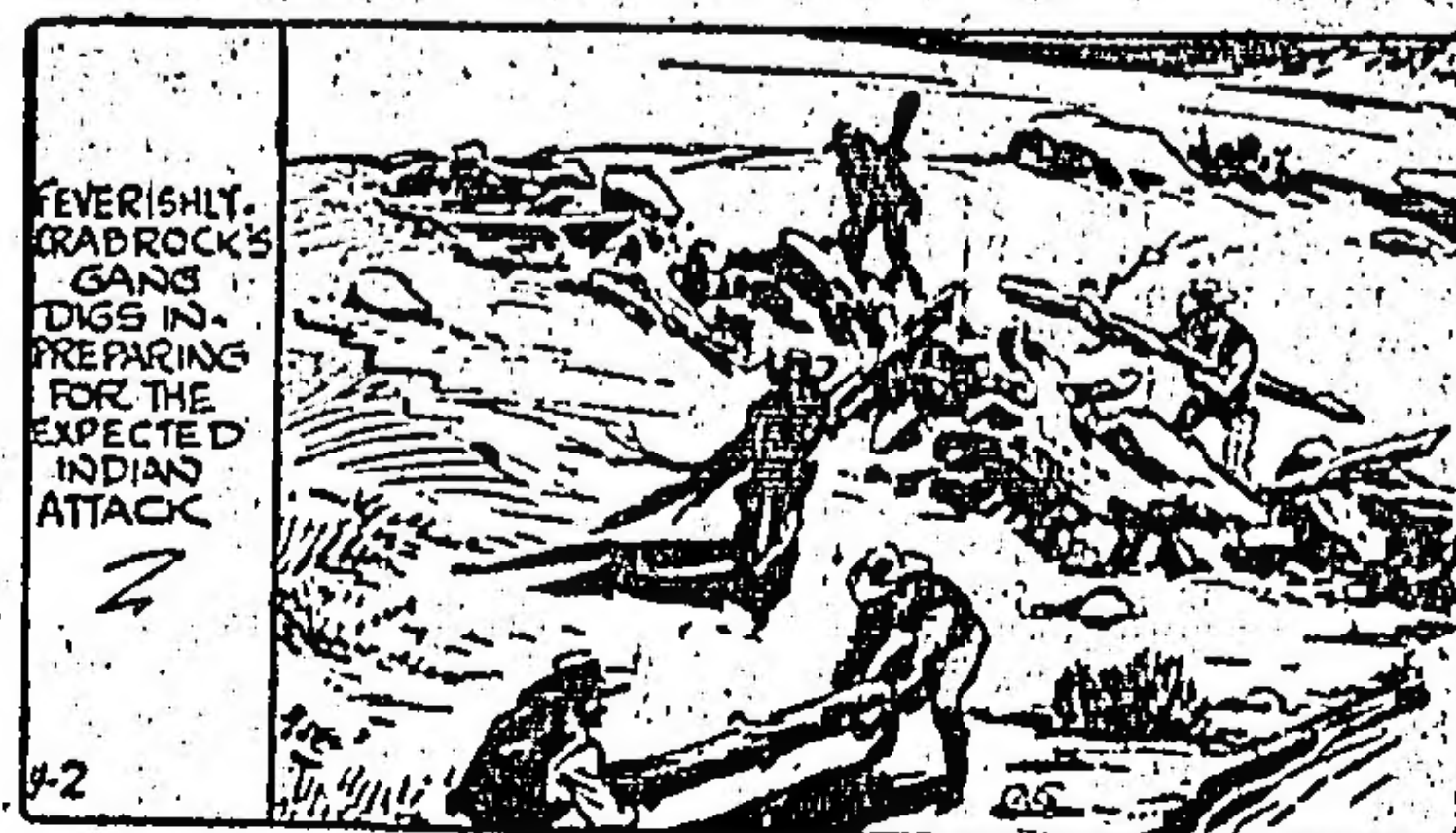
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Shantung daytime dress.

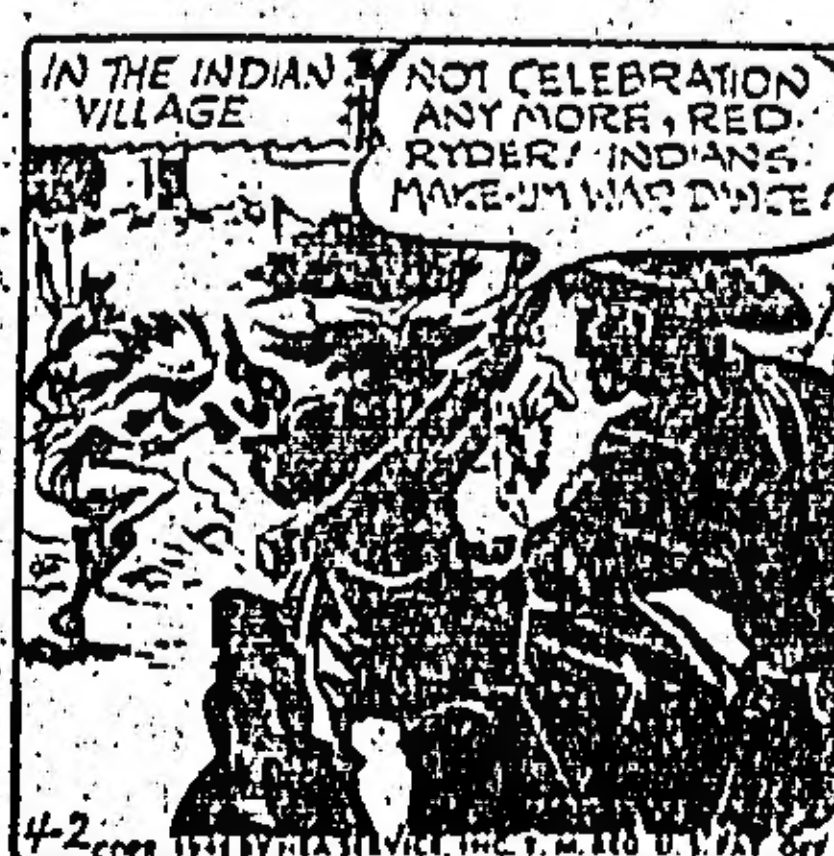
By GRACE THORNCIFFE

PURE SILK shantung in its natural shade is the medium for a delightfully cool and attractive, easy-to-wear daytime dress. The Chinese influence is apparent in the small standing collar and double-breasted button closing to the waist. Shaped tucks mould the waistline. The fully flared skirt conceals pockets at the hips. It's a good town, country or travel number.

## RED RYDER



Grim Business



By Fred Harman



## Keep Wrinkles from Forming



Faithful use of face cream helps the complexion to keep its youthful freshness.

By HELEN FOLLETT

NO young woman can possibly imagine that, some day, she may have wrinkles. But she should face facts, and save her face.

There are women of seventy and eighty whose countenances are as smooth as satin, without a wrinkle. They fought facial furrows before they got them, escaped the curse.

It is the skin that is well lubricated with creams that retains the youthful surface. Girls in the twenties should use them freely; the flesh feeds upon them. Premature lines often appear before the thirtieth birthday; they are the penalty of neglect. Young women who pay little heed to their eating habits may find that the skin is not up to par. Lack of fresh air may produce pallor or a sallow complexion.

Keep on hand two cosmetics, a thin cream for cleansing and to apply when the face has been exposed to strong sunlight, a heavier emollient to tap into face and neck after the bedtime washing. The friction necessary for the application of creams gives exercise to the tissues, keeps them firm. It stands to reason that a well cared for complexion has chances to survive, will not show little wrinkles around the eyes.

Mental hygiene is a wrinkle preventive. Be anxious, worry, lose your temper and all the body functions slow up. Nutrition is retarded. Think of the unpleasant people you know or come in contact with. Grubbers have grouches' faces. Naggers have naggers' faces. Sweet, even disposition is not only a factor toward beauty but it makes it easier for one to live with oneself.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## Some People Don't Get Along

—Cats and Dogs Are a Good Example—

By MAX TRELL

CHIRPIE SPARROW met Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, as they were sitting on the garden wall.

"Some folks," said Chirpie, after bidding them both the time of the day; some folks never seem to get along with each other. I don't know why that is. But they just don't."

"As for instance who?" said Knarf.

"As for instance cats and dogs, and mice and snakes, and spiders and flies, and swallows and butterflies, and stocks and toads and—ducks and chickens."

Knarf and Hanid said they had both heard about all the folks who didn't get along well with each other except ducks and chickens.

"But they don't really fight, do they?" Hanid said.

## Met at the Meadow

"Well, no—but they don't seem to care much for each other. Just this morning I saw Mrs. Quack, who is a duck, and Mrs. Cluck, who is a chicken, meet at the edge of the meadow, right at the path that forks off toward the pond on one side, and toward the clover field on the other."

"What happened when they met there?" Knarf asked.

"At first," said Chirpie, "they just stood looking at each other, waiting for one or the other to say good-morning. Finally they both said it together. Then Mrs. Cluck said: 'Will you please be so good, Mrs. Quack, and move aside. I'm on my way to the clover field. You're blocking the path and I can't get by.'"

"Indeed," said Mrs. Quack, "that's a pleasant place for a chicken to go. But I'm on my way to the pond. And you're blocking my path. Would you kindly move aside?"

"And which one moved?" Knarf and Hanid wanted to know.

"Neither," answered Chirpie. "They both stood looking at each other. Then they both got tired, so they both sat down. But neither of them would move aside to let



Mrs. Cluck and Mrs. Quack had an argument.

the other go past. So the chicken didn't get to the field of clover, and the duck didn't get to the pond. But finally something else happened."

Knarf and Hanid were eager to know what this was.

"A fox came along."

"Oh dear!" cried Hanid.

## Were Very Frightened

"A fox came along and Mrs. Quack and Mrs. Cluck both saw it at the same time. You can't imagine how frightened they were! Because the fox didn't care in the least how little Mrs. Quack and Mrs. Cluck cared for each other; he liked both of them! He liked them—yes—but not in the way they wanted him to like them. It frightened them how much he liked them."

"So, without arguing, or quarrelling, or even talking, they both ran as fast as they could back to the barnyard and huddled, quaking and shivering, as close to each other, as they could get. And," said Chirpie, "if you had seen them at that moment, so near to each other, you would have said they were the best of friends. And," added Chirpie, "he got ready to fly off again. I guess at that moment that's exactly what they were: very close friends. It just goes to show that something can bring folks together no matter how far apart they may be."

What Do You  
Know About  
Gold?

By LEE PRIESTLEY

ENGLAND, envying Spain her golden loot from Mexico and South America, hoped that somewhere, some day, her American colonies, too, would pour out native gold of fabulous value. Captain John Smith found one of his greatest problems to be the controlling of his gentlemen's search for the yellow metal. But although the searchers found nothing but "fool's gold," they were closer to a strike than the vexed captain dreamed.



In 1700, a 12-year-old boy, wading in a creek in the North Carolina mountains, stubbed his toe on the first American gold strike. The strange, heavy stone excited enough curiosity to be carried home and used for a doorstop until it sold for \$3.50 to a travelling goldsmith. Thirty years more passed before a North Carolina coloured man known only as Charley picked up gold nuggets on the banks of Duke's Creek in northern Georgia. (To Be Continued)

Rupert's Island  
Adventure—35

The wind catches the one sail of the paper boat which is left and carries it gaily across the lake. "I'm pretty sure the river that runs out of this lake leads to Rupert," thinks Rupert. "If I could reach it I could quickly find someone who would come and help to rescue the old professor." Just then he sees a short piece of wood floating near. The boat passes so close that he is able to grasp it and use it for steering. Soon he is being carried along by the current of the river.

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# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**NEW JOB FOR SMUTS**—Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts begins another epoch in his already episodic life as he leaves the Senate House in Cambridge after having been installed as Chancellor of Cambridge University. A few minutes later, the former Premier of the Union of South Africa delivered a speech in which he denounced Russia's "cold war" technique.



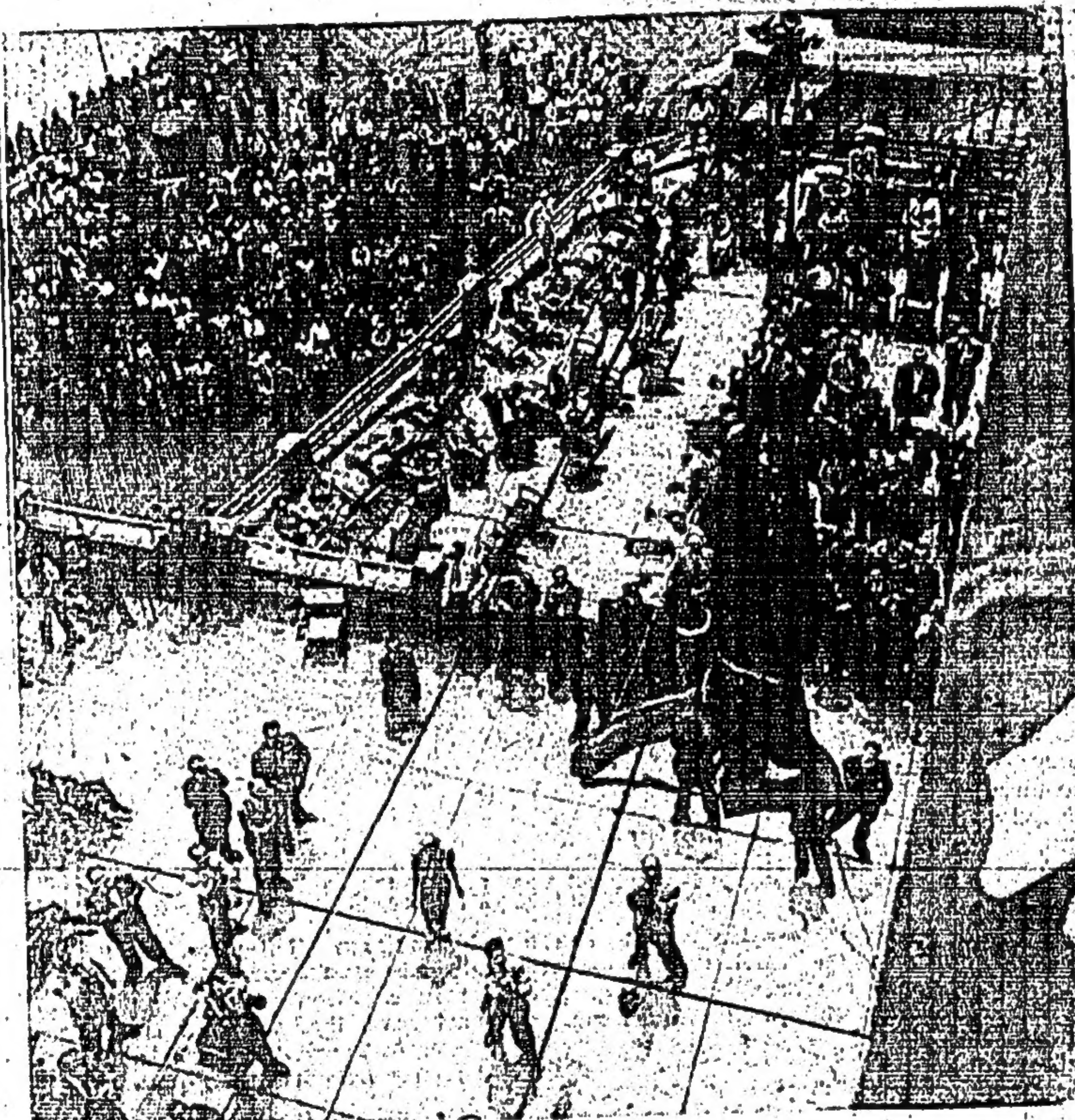
**"GET ME OUT OF HERE!"**—Frederick Hildebrand of Tacoma, Washington, appeals for help from an unidentified pedestrian as he sits trapped in his car after it was wrecked near Salinas, California. Hildebrand had to be cut out of this tangle of wreckage with hacksaws before he could be taken to a hospital.



**RUBBER NECK**—It's a long way down when this mother flamingo feeds her young. The birds are multiplying as fast as rabbits on Flamingo Island at Florida's Hialeah race track, creating a population problem.



**FLOWERS FOR A PRINCESS**—It's a big event in the life of this small girl as she presents a bouquet of white carnations to Princess Elizabeth. The youngster went to London from an orphanage to see the Princess at a housing show.



**STEALING THE SHOW**—Everybody wanted to get into the act when the 'magicians' had a convention at Atlantic City. Raymond LaRue does everybody one better, though, as he nonchalantly hangs by his heels five storeys above the ground.



**BEACHED**—Sunning on a New York beach, Barbara Eller wears this three-piece suit of matching shorts and bra topped by a short coat.



**BLESSED EVENT IN HOLLYWOOD**—Famous film horse Flicka watchfully regards her 35-pound colt, Flash, as he is cuddled by actress Colleen Townsend. Flash, who was sired by Thunderhead, has been given a screen contract, too.



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**ROYAL OUTING**—King Gustaf, popular monarch of Sweden, rides in an open carriage through the streets of Stockholm. Four generations of Swedish royalty are represented here: his son, Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf; granddaughter, Princess Sibylla; and great-grandson, Prince Carl Gustaf. The King is completing his 42nd year as a reigning monarch.



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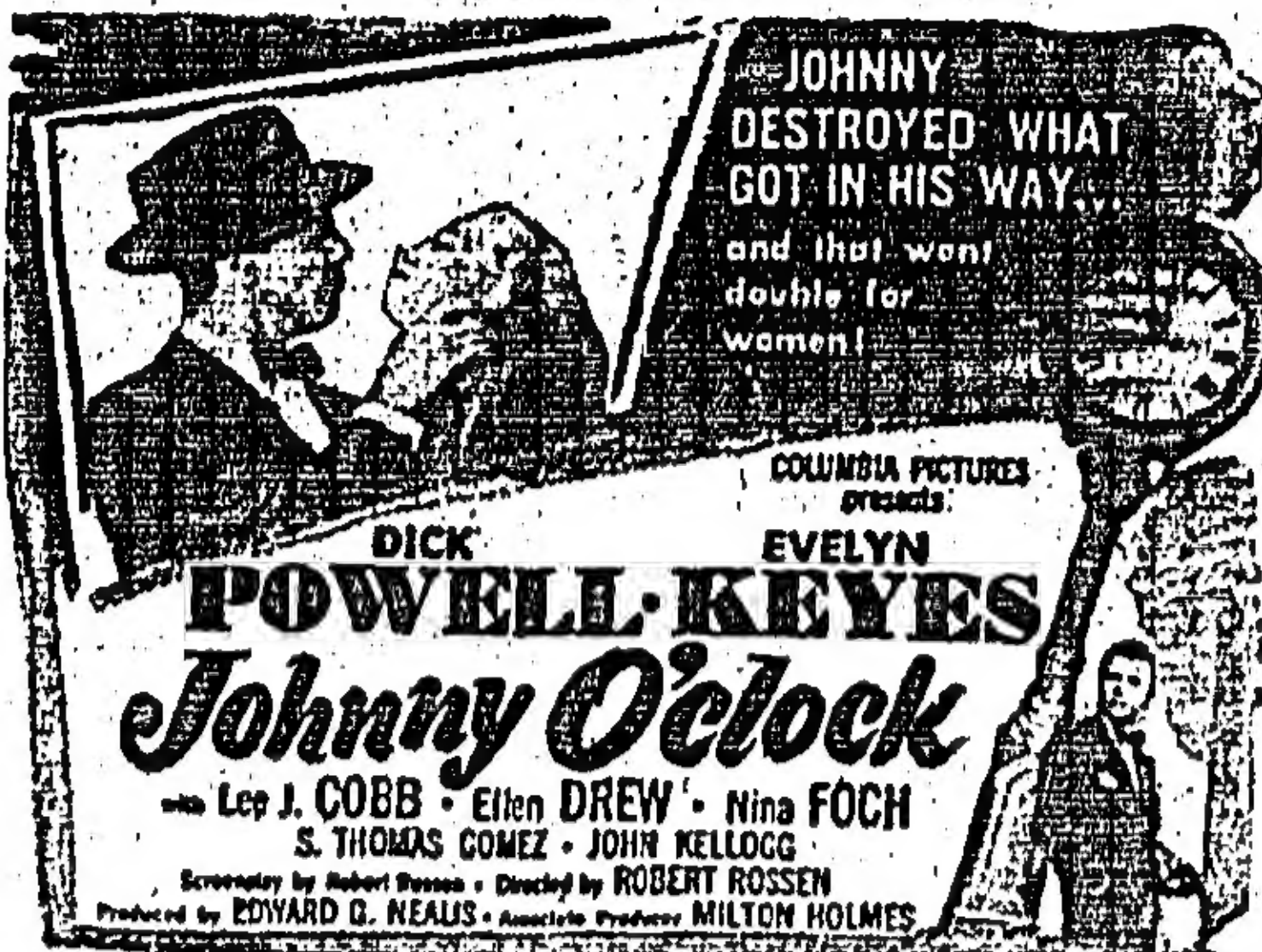
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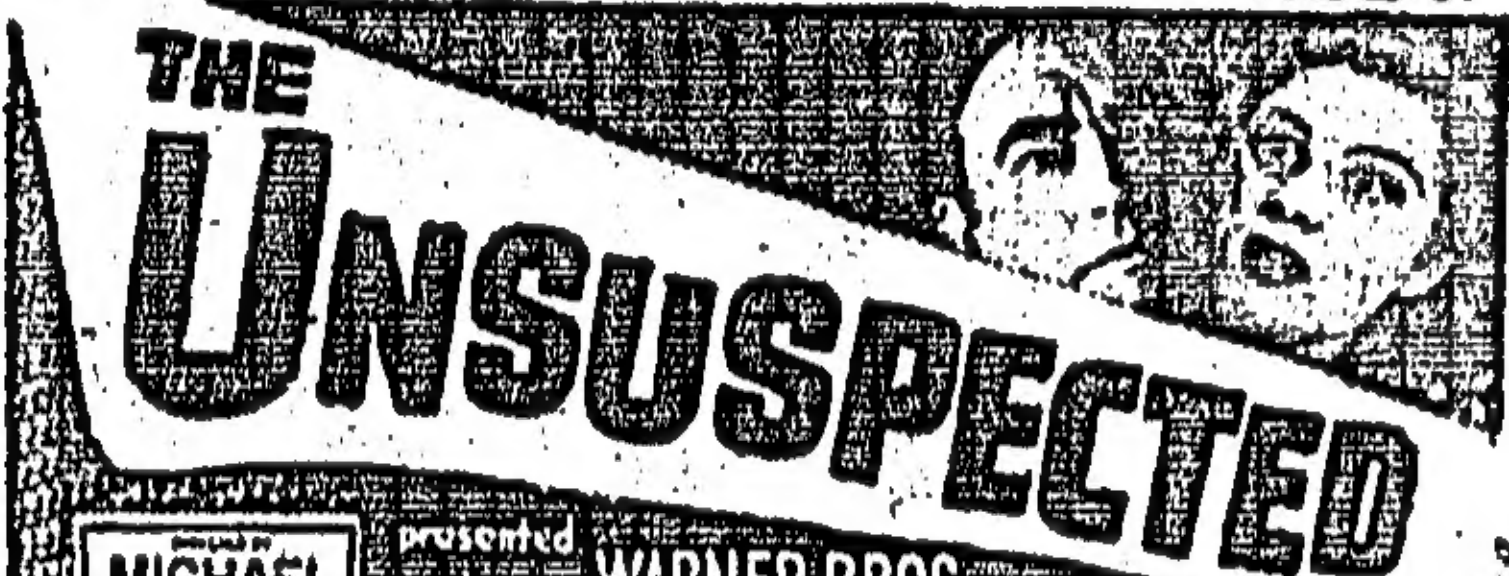
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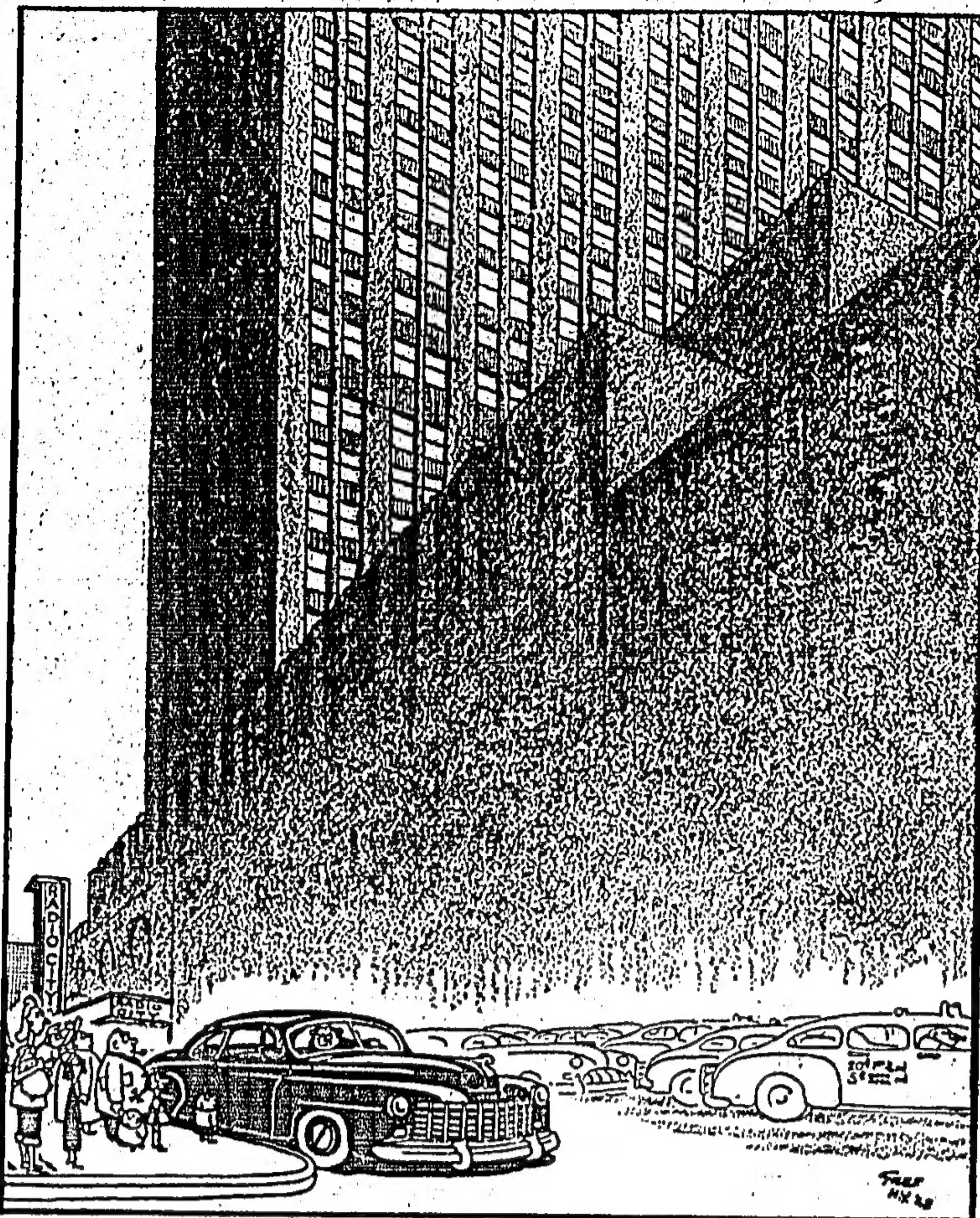


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## GILES AND FAMILY IN NEW YORK



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THE SUN IS A FRAUD  
—OFFICIAL

AFTER a dreary night sympathising with the baby over her teething difficulties, my wife and I sat down to a seven o'clock breakfast with the joy of living at its lowest ebb.

Half-way through the porridge course the sun came out, and instantly our spirits soared. We even began a conversation—a rare event in our house so early in the day.

"Why does the sight of sunshine automatically make you feel good?" my wife asked.

I explained. Chiefly as a result of our childhood experiences we unconsciously associated sunshine with pleasure. The memory of pleasure makes your heart beat faster. The circulation of the blood, especially to the brain, is stimulated. So you feel better.

Psychologists have the right idea. They call the condition *euphoria*—a false sense of well-being.

Just how false is shown by the fact that probably nothing makes an African, after an all-night session of pacing his mud hut with a screaming picaninny, feel worse than another sunny morning. A dull, cool dawn cheers him up much more.

Even the good effect of lying in the sun is 80 percent psychological. The ultra-violet rays in sunlight enable your skin to manufacture vitamin D, which makes you more resistant to germ attack.

You would have to be a registered drone to sunbathe long enough to make as much vitamin D as you get from one halibut-liver oil capsule.

Because a dark object absorbs more of the sun's heat than a light one, a tan makes you worse off for standing up to summer temperatures. It protects you from too much ultra-violet light. So the health value of a tan is largely an illusion.

As I do not mind being deluded so long as I know about it, I was lazing in a deck chair soon after lunch. I had intended to watch for certain bees which I have marked with paint to study their movements, but the sunshine made me sleepy.

This is why we cannot absorb any of the calories the sun pours on to our skins. Instead we lose energy when we lie in the sun.

The heat rays—they're called infra-reds—penetrate the skin and relax the vessels there so much that they become filled with blood that should go to the brain and muscles. They also make the sweat glands work extra hard. Result: We feel weak and drowsy.

Because of this patients in modern sanatoria are never allowed to lie in the sun. They sleep on roofed verandahs instead.

As I lay lulled by the infra-red rays I thought how odd it was that really the sun was quite still and I was hurtling round it about 90 times faster than sound.

Then suddenly my right arm felt as though it was on fire. That was no illusion. I jerked up to find myself staring into the studious face of my eight-year-old nephew, Jimmy, who had been testing the efficiency of my pocket lens as a burning glass.

You cannot stay mad at Jimmy long, especially when your wife is laughing her head off from an upstairs window. So I patiently answered the questions he asked me.

I TOLD HIM:—  
No, Jimmy, the sun is not burning like a fire. It would have gone

by  
CHAPMAN PINCHER—

out long ago if it were. It is really an atom bomb. We cannot hear its explosions because sound cannot travel through empty space. A layer of ozone gas 40 miles up protects us from its deadly rays.

Yes, Jimmy, it is 93,000,000 miles away, and because its light travels only 186,000 miles per second we see it for more than eight minutes after it has really disappeared at sunset.

No, Jimmy, the sun at sunset is not red. It looks that way because, being low on the horizon, its light has to pass through so much air that all the rays except the red ones are filtered off by dust and water particles.

The sky looks bluer to Jimmy than it does to me because as we age the lenses of our eyes get yellower and stop the passage of more and more blue light.

No, Jimmy, we are 3,000,000 miles nearer the sun in midwinter than in midsummer. Summer is warmer because the northern hemisphere points towards the sun then. In winter it points away from it.

No, Jimmy, it is not planning, it is just a coincidence that the moon fits exactly over the sun to give a total eclipse.

Now why couldn't Jimmy have asked his questions next week?—then I could have given him a copy of this article.

She Serves Drinks  
In A  
See-Through Skirt

By Evelyn Webber

New York, June 28.  
MISS June Richards, of London, bought a beaver coat and fox fur jacket in New York this week.

Until a short time ago she was a \$15-a-week London model, with her face on tooth-paste posters. Now she is earning \$36 a week wearing a transparent skirt.

In it she serves drinks in the bar of a Manhattan hotel, and has been at her job three weeks.

"I wouldn't work at anything else," she told me. "In London it wasn't much use making money. There was nothing to send it on. Here everyone is generous with tips. And I can buy what I like."

I talked with the 21-year-old June, daughter of a former Glasgow policeman, at the bar as she was putting on her "uniform."

It was a low-cut black taffeta dress, the long black nylon net skirt transparent from upper thigh to ankle.

Her employers call it part of their new "transparency policy," introduced to drum up business. It has proved very successful.

## 100 on waiting list

"We change twice a night," June said, "for cocktails, and at nine, when people start doing their heavy drinking. I've never been a waitress before—I'd never be an ordinary waitress. This is different."

Her eyes gleamed. "I'm lucky to be here. One of the girls has met a wealthy Texan oil man; another may marry a prominent Park-avenue surgeon. No, neither is married yet."

"There are 100 girls on the waiting lists for this job. The management pick only the brightest. A customer might ask an intelligent question, you see. And they like us to be prepared."

With nine other girls she wears her transparent skirt from 5 p.m. until the small hours, serving drinks (6s. 3d. a small Scotch) to about 300 people a night. All the girls are long-legged and over 5 ft. 6in., or they cannot get the job.

## Yes, and they whistle

Actual salary paid them is \$6 10s. a week—low for New York.

The rules are rigid. June may not drink with the customers. She must participate in compulsory exercise to "stop us getting stiff."

Whenever there is a lull in business she must stand erect against one of the mirrored pillars in the dim underground bar. Her arms must be folded. She may move only if summoned, or to go to the kitchen for her dinner—provided free in her hour's break.

"But it's worth it," she said. "People ask if I'm embarrassed in my transparent skirt. Well, I'm not. The management say it's no worse than a bathing suit. Yes, the customers do whistle."

"I came to America to be a model. But modelling doesn't pay." Before she came, June had never been farther away from her Glasgow home than London. Already she has been to Hollywood—twice—to try for the films.

"I'm the ingenu type," she confided. "I lived next door to Errol Flynn and I saw all the night clubs. I got a screen test, too. They said they'd send for me. They haven't yet. But even if they did I wouldn't go back without something in black."



This is the skirt—



—and this is June.

and white. I've been here long enough to know that's necessary. I'm tired of promises."

Her parents are in New York. But June ("my happiness comes first") lives alone in a room which costs her \$7 10s. a week for the rent. On her day off she goes out with "a friend I met at work."

"He rolls lingerie and nylons and he's also got a second-hand car. He is a little older than me; but we might even get married."

## The best anywhere

As I left, a bar official came over. Eyeing my notebook, he said: "We never have any incidents here. These girls are the best waitresses in the country."

"Why?" I asked. "Our business has increased by 750 per cent," he said. "Our customers don't notice any flaws in the service. And we've had no complaints for weeks."

"That makes them the best waitresses anywhere, doesn't it?"



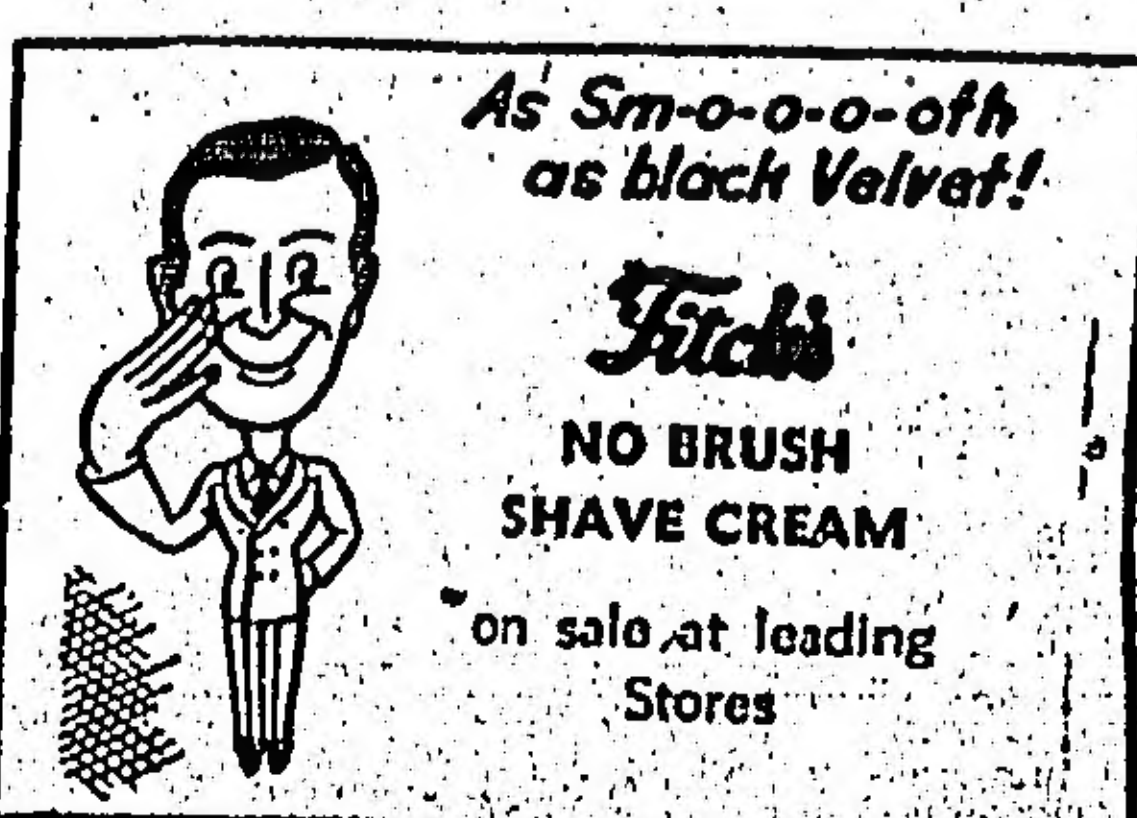
Mum!! Mum!!—The laundry's back...

## NANCY

Radar ???



By Ernie Bushmiller





## MORE AND MORE AID FOR CHINA

### Big Increase In Third Quarter Allocation

Washington, July 11.—ECA officials said today that the third quarter allocations for China are likely to amount to \$60,000,000 or \$70,000,000, which would nearly double the first quarter. They said if this occurs it would make the months of July, August and September the biggest ones for China procurement since the ECA would by then have allotted more than one half of the total funds available for the first year—Chinese aid.

## DEALERS IN SHELL CASES CAUTIONED

Six scrap metal dealers were cautioned by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central Court this morning for possession of empty ammunition cases.

Defendants were Chan Cho, of 60 Lower Lascar Road, Lo Chung-man, of 59 Wing Lok Street, Li Tai-sam, of 117 Jervois Street, Chaw Yung-po, of 29 Wing Lok Street, Lai Yik, of 93 Wing Lok Street, and Leung Shun, of 72 Queen's Road West.

Represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva, defendants all pleaded guilty. Additional charges of being dealers in ammunition without licences from the Commissioner of Police were withdrawn.

According to the prosecution, there was an extensive trade in expended shell cases, and though dealers might not be aware of it, licences costing \$2,400 each must be taken out if the empty shells were being imported. They must also be in the form of crushed scrap. It was because the Police wished to bring these points to the notice of the dealers that there had been a series of such cases lately. If the dealers failed to take any notice, then the Police would ask for severe penalties as well as confiscation of the goods.

**IGNORANCE OF LAW**  
Mr. Silva said all defendants were dealers of scrap metal and they held marine store licences. The offences were committed in complete ignorance of the law, and he asked the Court to caution defendants and order the return of the shell cases.

Both Mr. Silva and the Police asked the Press to give publicity to such cases so that in future no one could come forward and plead ignorance.

In cautioning defendants, Mr. Lo said in the interests of security and public safety the Police had to impose controls on empty shell cases. The shells were returned to defendants on condition that they were crushed and reduced to scrap to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Arms.

## Tram Passenger Up For Assault

Two well-dressed business men appeared before Mr. d'Almada at Central Court this morning. One of them, Tam Yat-wah, 43, manager of the Channel Trading Co., was charged with assaulting the other, Lau Pui-man, of Shanghai, in a tram yesterday.

Inspector Moran said complainant boarded the tram near Ice House Street and wanted to take the seat on which the accused had placed his raincoat and hat. He removed the articles, whereupon accused struck him in the face, knocking off his glasses, which had not been found. There was a strong suspicion that the accused was a little drunk, but the results of medical tests were not available yet.

Mr. d'Almada cautioned the accused and ordered him to pay \$40 to the complainant for the loss of his glasses.

## Marine Court

The master of a Class I passenger boat was fined \$25 or 15 days by Mr. Cairns at the Marine Court this morning for carrying eight excess passengers. He pleaded that they were workmen being conveyed from a ship to the shore and that there were no other passengers in the vicinity to take them at the time.

**DUMPING RUBBISH**  
The masters of a small cargo boat were fined \$10 or two days for dumping rubbish in the harbour. Defendant pleaded that the offence was committed by a child, who was sweeping the deck. Defendant was ashore at the time. Remarking that she was in charge of the vessel, Mr. Cairns imposed the fine.

## Must Have Been Home Brew

Leitchworth, Hertfordshire, July 11.—This town has the distinction of being the only town in all of England without a public bar.

But that didn't stop a sailor, Albert Green.

He managed to get himself fined \$10 (42) for being drunk and incapable here on Saturday. United Press.

The officials emphasised that figures cannot be given because the programme is developing as goods become available and is subject to some other uncertainties. However, generally speaking, the ECA has aimed at the procurement of four key types of goods for this quarter, namely, cotton which is the largest of all in value; 2. petroleum products; 3. fertiliser; and 4. replacement parts of capital equipment.

The officials said that cotton payments could reach as high as \$41,000,000, although it is not very likely to be that much because the Chinese government probably will take over some commercial contracts with its funds. It is considered that \$30,000,000 is a more likely figure.

### AVIATION GASOLINE

They said that next to cotton, petroleum products, will be the largest in value. This will include aviation gasoline, lubricants and grease from the United States, but a considerable amount of other petroleum products will be from the Netherlands, East Indies and the Persian Gulf.

Fertiliser, the officials said, will come from Chile, the United States and Europe, according to allocations of the International Emergency Food Committee. They said that some cereals will be procured in this quarter, mainly rice which is obtainable mostly in Siam and other Southeast Asian areas, but the amounts will be less than the last quarter because the Chinese harvests are currently coming in. They said some officials considered sending tobacco in this quarter but decided against it.

### USEFUL AID

They explained that they considered replacement parts as one of the most useful of all forms of aid because for relatively few dollars they would be able in many cases to produce big economic results in China. They cited as an example a Chinese generator broken and unproductive because of lack of a single part. They said that for the cost of such a single part of machinery, the generator would function again and supply a large amount of industrial power.

Officials said they expected that the Charles Stillman mission will be back here by the end of July to report on his plan for the distribution of the \$60,000,000 reconstruction fund, which is distinct from other aid expenditures. They opined that this programme will be slower to develop since it is long-range, but in time should be of, perhaps, greater help than the current aid.—United Press.

## War Hero Made Archbishop

Vatican City, July 11.—Monsignor Roberto Ronca, who during the war gave shelter and protection in his seminary to anti-Fascist leaders, was consecrated titular Archbishop of Lepanto today.

Appointed Archbishop in the last Consistory of June 21, and rector of the Basilica of Pompeii, Monsignor Ronca gave a banquet three days ago to all political leaders who he held in St. John in the Lateran seminary during the war.

They included Catholic Premier, Alcide de Gasperi, pro-Communist leader, Pietro Nenni and elder statesman and wartime president of the National Committee of Liberation, Ivanoe Bonomi.

All attended the consecration ceremonies this morning at St. John in Lateran.—United Press.

## SEAMEN ABSENT FROM COURT

Two of the crew of the ship, Marchen Maersk, were charged before Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today with evading payment of entertainment tax.

The defendants, Erik Rapsen, a waiter, and Y. T. Nielsen, carpenter of the ship, were alleged to have failed to purchase dance tickets, the value of which was \$10 each ticket for an hour plus \$1 tax, at the Imperial Ballroom on Sunday night.

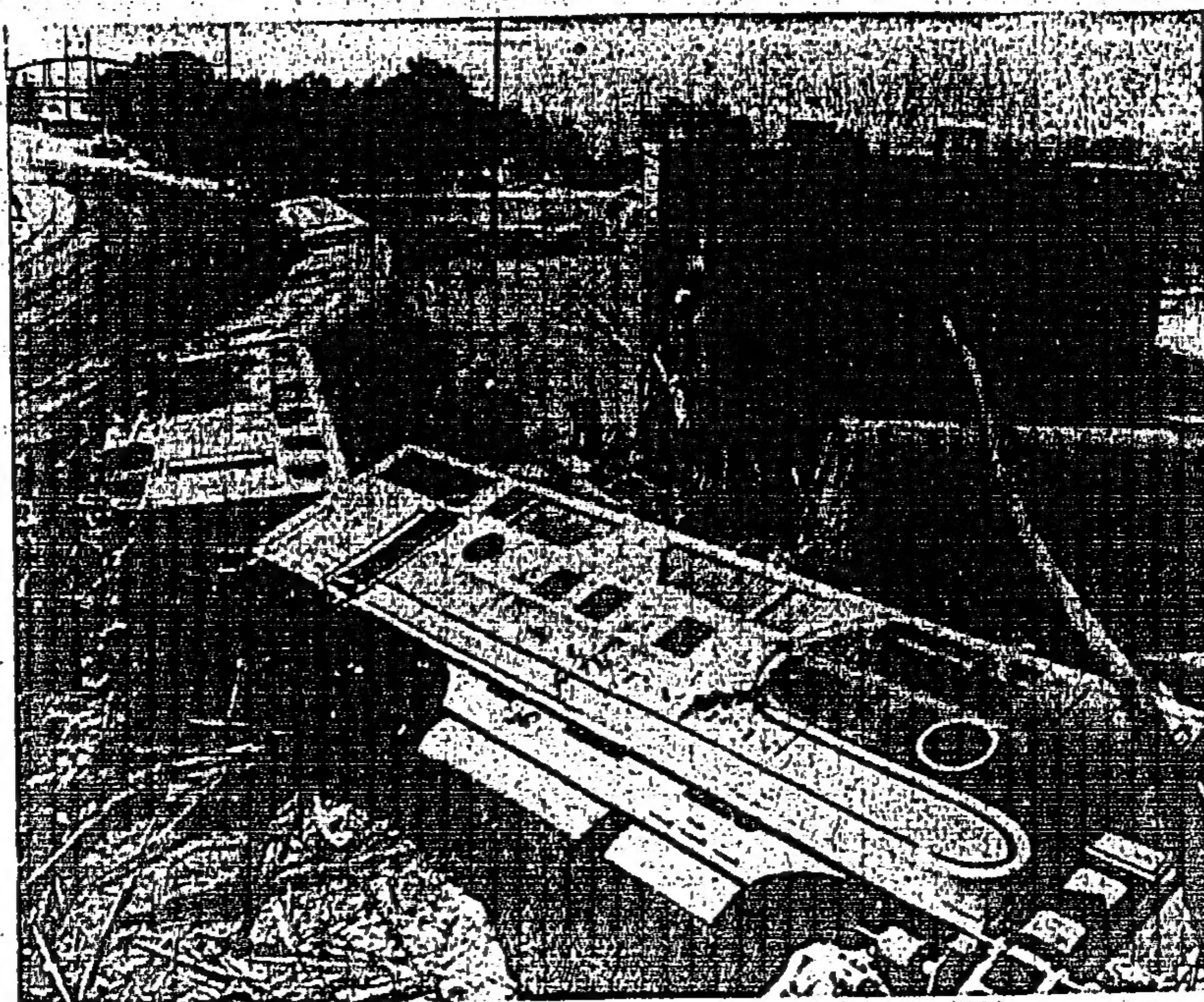
Both were absent from court, and their bail of \$50 each was exonerated.

## Eight Months For Offending Pope

Bergamo, Italy, July 11.—A Bergamo Court yesterday sentenced a Leftist politician to eight months in jail for offending the Pope.

He is Francesco Emilio Bonetti, 31, who was found guilty for saying that the "Pope is a war criminal" during a speech before the April General Elections.—United Press.

## Sante Fe Super Chief Wrecked



## Shanghai Commodity Prices Still Soaring

Shanghai, July 12.—Despite vigorous price control efforts on the part of the city authorities, commodities, led by rice, spurted to new record heights in the past 24 hours.

Rice this morning stood at the alltime high of CN\$34 million per picul, and even at this figure the majority of rice shops were reluctant to sell.

## Chifley Talks To Berlin Union Leaders

Berlin, July 11.—The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley, took off from Gatow airport in Mr. Attlee's private plane to fly to London nonstop at 8.25 p.m. local time tonight.

Before leaving, Mr. Chifley saw leaders of the Berlin non-Communist trade union headquarters in the afternoon and said: "There is only one aim in the life of a good trade union leader, and that is to improve living conditions for each trade union member and the movement as a whole."

He congratulated the Berlin trade unionists on their "success in the fight for freedom" and said the present difficulties in Berlin were not altogether new in trade union history.

After Mr. Chifley's departure, Dr. Otto Suhr, an independent trade union leader and Chairman of the Berlin City Council, said he attached great importance to the Australian Premier's visit.

"The Premier himself is a trade unionist of some 45 years' standing," Dr. Suhr said, "and he has expressed his sympathy with a politically independent trade union activity."

**ADMIRE COURAGE**  
"In my talks with the Berlin City leaders today, I told them I admired their courage in the stand they are making under the Russian threat," Mr. Chifley had said. He added that after talking for some hours yesterday to Mr. Bevin, he had a good impression of the position in Berlin and his visit, although it was short, had enabled him to secure a first-hand impression.

Asked if Australia might supply a token force of aircraft to help in the great aid lift operation, he replied: "We are most anxious to help in any way we can, but the number of our aircraft is limited."

"I shall, however, discuss this with the responsible Ministers when I get back to Australia."

Asked if he thought the Russians were repairing the Berlin-Helmstedt railway line quickly enough, he laughed and said: "In the short time at my disposal, I have not been able to try my hand on a locomotive on the line."

Mr. Chifley revealed that he had half an hour's talk with General Lucius D. Clay, the American Military Governor, and Mr. Lewis Douglas, the United States Ambassador to London.

"We had an interesting talk about the situation generally," he said, Mr. Douglas arrived at Tempelhof Airport this afternoon.—Reuter.

## Disturbance In S'hai Theatre

Shanghai, July 12.—The stage curtain of the Metropole Theatre here was torn to pieces yesterday morning by more than ten soldiers when they were told by the management that no extra seats could be placed for them in the "full house."

Angry soldiers rushed onto the stage and tried to tear down the screen in order to stop the performance. But before they could complete their work of destruction, their soldier-colleagues in the audience—it was a regular Sunday morning show for the benefit of troops—shouted them down.

The disturbers of the peace were removed by hastily summoned police and gendarmes.—Reuter.

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The guarantees will be operative for a period of 14 years. The conversion of foreign currencies will be at current rates of exchange, recognised by the United States Government.

No guarantee of profits is provided, nor does the Economic Cooperation Administration offer any insurance against ordinary business risks, or against the political risks such as the overthrow of a friendly government.—Reuter.

## Toyo Rocked By 'Quake

Tokyo, July 11.—An earthquake rocked Tokyo for 30 seconds today. Windows were rattled and buildings shook, but no damage has been reported. The epicentre was within a few miles of Saitama Prefecture.

Residents of the Saitama Prefecture—northwest of Tokyo, were reported to have been in a near panic since Dr. Uin Inoue, of the Central Meteorological Bureau, recently predicted that the next major earthquake would hit the district in August or September.

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Units of the Diesel locomotive (foreground) and sleeping cars (rear) lie in the railroad yards at Winslow, Ariz., after Santa Fe's eastbound Super Chief careened off a curve. The train smashed off a corner of a water distilling plant, wrecked several oil storage tanks and tank cars, and crushed nine parked automobiles. Seven persons were sent to hospital.—AP Picture.

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# BLOCKADE OF BERLIN FICTION CHALLENGED

## Intention Of Allied Protest Notes

### SOVIET'S "GRAND DESIGN"

London, July 11.—By demanding a full restoration of all means of access to Berlin, the Western powers are deliberately challenging the fiction that the blockade was necessary for road and rail repairs and the safety exit which it represented for a Soviet compromise.

The Soviet determination to see the Western Powers out of Berlin is dictated by motives which go beyond the German problem. For Moscow, it is increasingly apparent that Berlin is the destined capital of Eastern Germany under Communist rule.

This, once firmly established, would enable Russia to consider withdrawing her troops from Germany, doubtless leaving behind a thoroughly efficient police machine to see that the broad policy of Moscow was obediently followed.

This again, combined with a similar move in Vienna and Austria would place the Western Allies in the position of following suit and withdrawing their forces or accepting the political consequences of maintaining them in the face of a Soviet proposal for simultaneous evacuation.

One of the main long-term objectives of Russian foreign policy is to accelerate the departure of American troops from the continent of Europe and, with them, the gradual slackening of American interest and determination in supporting an anti-Communist Western European association of powers.

#### FIRST LINK

The Berlin crisis appears as the first essential link in a chain of developments leading to the achievement of this Soviet objective.

Failing at Berlin, a secondary drawdown for Moscow is clearly to be achieved by every means at her disposal, the rapid and effective realisation of the decisions on Western Germany taken by the six Western powers at the recent London talks.

The most obvious means of doing this would be to open four-power negotiations between the Soviet Union, the United States, Britain and France, or alternatively, to propose a general by all the interested Allied powers, including the eight nations of the Eastern bloc, who recently registered their disapproval of the London six-power decisions.

The three Western powers, in their notes to Moscow, appear to have forestalled any Russian move to delay the London decisions by making it clear they are not prepared to enter into any new four-power discussions until the blockade of Berlin has been lifted and then only discuss the Berlin problem and not the whole future of Germany.

#### THE PROSPECTS

Few observers here can see any immediate solution to the Berlin deadlock.

The most likely Soviet answer to the three-power notes—suggesting a resumption of general discussions—seems to have been ruled out in advance and since any early ending of the present situation now depends on one side or the other making concessions, the prospect appears to be one of a prolonged blockade with its propaganda accompaniment from both sides.

In the field of propaganda, critics of the policy pursued by the Western powers suggest that Washington, Paris and London have failed to borrow a leaf from the Soviet book.

If the Western powers were to take the initiative in proposing a four-power talks, stipulating as preconditions the Potsdam clauses on the economic fusion of Germany and the acceptance of a long-term four-power pact to guarantee the demilitarisation of Germany, they would have done no more than Russia.

She suggested fresh talks on the basis of those proposals, made in previous meetings of the Council of Foreign Ministers, which proved unacceptable to the Western Allies.

#### "GRAND DESIGN"

In Germany and in world opinion, such a course would have the undoubted result of forcing the Russians either to accept the renewed discussion or assuming their share of the responsibility for the present division which their whole propaganda machine is busy trying to pin on the Western powers.

The Austrian half of the Soviet "grand design" to secure the early withdrawal of American troops from Europe is at present quiescent, but many observers here are convinced that it will not remain so for long.

The situation in Vienna contains some of the ingredients of the Berlin crisis. The fact that negotiations for an Austrian peace treaty are already far advanced makes it increasingly easy for Moscow to stir these ingredients up again. Apart from the controversy over what should, or should not, be recognised as German assets, Yugoslavia's claims to reparations represented concessions to the conclusion of an Austrian peace treaty, and consequently to the withdrawal of Allied occupation troops.

Since the Communist's denunciation of Marshal Tito and of the Yugoslav Communist Party, there is

good ground to suppose that Moscow would not be prepared to sacrifice the claims of Yugoslavia if an opportunity could be found to further Russia's own foreign policy aim.

The Danube Conference, opening on July 30 in Belgrade, may well shed some light on the current attitude of Russia to the interests of Austria and Yugoslavia respectively. Austria has been admitted to the Conference as an observer—a concession which in itself shows that Moscow is in a mood to pay more attention to Austria's public opinion than during the recent negotiations of the four-power conference of Austrian deputies.—Reuter.

## MONTGOMERY IN VIENNA

Vienna, July 11.—Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, arrived at Schwechat Aerodrome here today from Paris, where he had had conversations with French military chiefs.

His first call was the Christ Church, where he saw the stained glass window commemorating the famous Eighth Army, which he commanded in the Western Desert and which was disbanded in Austria. Later he will visit the Austrian capital from Paris today.

He will attend a performance of the "Gypsy Baron" before leaving by train to inspect British units in Styria and Carinthia.—Reuter.

## ANOTHER NEW DRUG

New York, July 11.—Development of a drug that staves off the virus of infantile paralysis was disclosed today.

The drug, known as oxythiamin, has been found only on experimental basis but may lead to another chemical compound suitable for use in human beings to building resistance against polio.

The new drug was reported by a group from the Children's Hospital, Philadelphia, in an exhibit at the first international poliomyelitis conference, which opens formally on Monday.—United Press.

## BISHOP ACCUSED

Budapest, July 11.—Court officials today issued a warrant for the arrest of Bishop Sigmund Mihailovits, director of the Catholic Action movement in Hungary, accusing him of war crimes. He has already fled the country.

The police have also arrested four Catholic priests and the woman secretary of the movement on charges of being his accomplices.—Reuter.

## Toning Up Civil Airlines In The North Pacific

Washington, July 11.—What facilities are needed for more efficient operation of civil airlines in the North Pacific area may be determined at the International Civil Aviation Organisation's meeting, opening in Seattle on July 13.

U.S. delegates to the meeting said about two weeks, with an estimated 200 representatives attending from Australia, Canada, China, France, India, Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, Siam, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Japanese interests will be considered also, although no Japanese will attend the Seattle meeting. Questions affecting Japan will be presented by Americans. It is expected operational facilities will be recommended for Japan, these facilities to be provided by the United States as occupying power.—Associated Press.

The Seattle sessions will occupy about two weeks, with an estimated 200 representatives attending from Australia, Canada, China, France, India, Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, Siam, the United Kingdom and the United States.

A doctor (right) gives first aid to Albert Ledbetter, 26, Fresno, Calif., and his wife, Josephine, 21, while rescuers work to extricate them from the front seat of their car in which they were pinned by a falling tree limb in Fresno. Both suffered leg fractures. The limb, 50 feet long and two feet in diameter, fell 14 feet from a Eucalyptus tree across the hood of the car, smashing the dashboard down on the couple's legs.—AP Picture.

## DEMOCRAT'S CONVENTION

Philadelphia, July 11.—A torn and dissident Democratic Party began gathering here today to nominate their Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates for the November elections.

The atmosphere of gloom and despondency arose from the conviction of many members that the Republican candidate, Governor Thomas Dewey of New York, would be the White House's next tenant.

The party's 1,500 delegates are meeting for the first time in 10 years without the dominant leadership of the late President Franklin Roosevelt.

Despite the widespread dissatisfaction with President Truman, his nomination for the Executive post is taken for granted after General Dwight Eisenhower's refusal to seek office.—Reuter.

## Almost As Cold As Christmas

London, July 11.—Below 60 temperatures made Saturday only two degrees warmer than last Christmas day. It was only four degrees warmer on Sunday.

Week-end holidaymakers queued for train in four coats. Rain was general over the eastern half of the country, keeping resort habitues around inn fires. Papers described it as the coldest July since 1919. The Sunday Express even reported that swallows were congregating in Kent—prematurely preparing for autumn migration to warmer climes.—Associated Press.

## TELEVISION FOR AUSTRALIA

Sydney, July 11.—The Australian Cabinet has decided to invite tenders for the installation of television transmitters in Australia's six State capitals. It was reliably learned today. The first transmission will be made experimentally by the Australian Broadcasting Commission and will be studied by Government officials.—Reuter.

## Yugoslav Students On Their Mettle

### BACK TITO FROM INSIDE RUSSIA

Belgrade, July 11.—Unprecedented boldness was shown by Yugoslav military and political students who, according to the Communist newspaper, Borba, today sent telegrams from inside Russia attacking Bolshevik Party charges and establishing their united stand with Marshal Tito and the Yugoslav Communist Party.

Such a stand has been absolutely unheard of before in the history of the Soviet Union and observers here believe the Yugoslav students took the gravest risk in sending such messages.

The first message came last week from Yugoslav students in the Marxist Leninist University in Moscow.

The newspaper published telegrams from Yugoslav students in the higher military political Lenin Academy in Moscow, Frunze Military Academy in Moscow, Voroshilov Academy in Moscow and the Engineering University in Sverdlovsk.

#### FEEL BITTERED

Yugoslav officers in the Lenin Academy telegraphed: "We, the political workers of the Yugoslav Army, are deeply surprised and embittered by the unjust and unrighteous charges by the Communist Party against the work of our glorious Communist Party and Central Committee. We are also surprised at the determined methods by which we consider dishonourable—by which the Cominform attempted to break-up our convictions and force upon us that in which we do not believe. We make a determined stand for our Party and Central Committee not because of blindness but because we know our Party and our leadership. We condemn the unjust accusations. We are proud of the masculine and honourable answer made by our glorious Central Committee. Tito is our pride. Tito is our happiness in the future."

Frunze Academy students rejected "unheard of slanders against our Party, our Central Committee and our people."

Those from the Voroshilov Academy sent the Cominform resolution was a "heavy insult against every Yugoslav citizen" and that the Bolshevik Party could not help being convinced that their charges were the "result of wrong information."

The Yugoslavs in Sverdlovsk strongly rejected the Cominform resolution but declared that "we cannot be separated from the glorious Bolshevik Party."—Associated Press.

#### "SPIES" FOR TRIAL

Belgrade, July 11.—Ninety-four members of the Ustaschi terrorist groups whose leaders fled back into Yugoslavia after the war, will go on trial tomorrow in Zagreb, the Ministry of Information announced today.

The Ministry said that the leaders of the 10 groups of "terrorists and spies" from "independent Croatia state committee," were trained abroad by foreign intelligence service.

It added, "The terrorists crossed into Yugoslavia by illegal channels in groups and individually by land and sea."

"They were armed with light arms and equipped with radio sets to direct armed bandit groups to carry out terrorist actions and espionage in the interest of a foreign intelligence service."

The Ministry said that the arrests were made since the summer of 1947.

#### THE DEFENDANTS

The defendants before the Supreme Court of Croatia, were headed by Dr Vladimir Sabolic, state secretary in the Ministry of the Interior of the former independent Croatia state.

Major Ljubo Milos, wartime commander of Jase Novac, Starogradska and Lepoglava garrisons. The other Ustaschi officers were Bosidar Petronic and Jozep Tomljenovic.

## Trapped In Car



## Philippines Bid For Surplus Rice

Washington, July 11.—The Philippine bid for a 45,000-ton share in the recently announced Siamese rice surplus would be settled at the special International Emergency Food Council meeting in Mexico City on July 21.

However, nearly every rice-importing country seeks a share and United Press learned that requests received to date total more than three times the estimated amount to be available. The Philippine request for a 30,000-ton grant plus 15,070 tons for repayment of the Indonesian loan alone amounts to almost half the total.

Meanwhile FAO sources added little or no encouragement to the Philippines' hopes. They said it was very possible that a large percentage of the Siamese surplus would go to Europe. They explained many officials feel this rice would accomplish a double purpose, it will help where the bread grain shortage is critical; secondly, it will contribute to re-establishment of terms of European-East trade—United Press.

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